



Eddie A. Perez
Mayor

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**MAYOR PEREZ CALLS NEW FEDERAL JOBS
GRANT
“A NECESSARY INVESTMENT” IN CITIES**

WHEN: Friday, January 6, 2006 at 11:30 a.m.

WHERE: Community Partners in Action
The Alternative Detention Building
Main Reception Area
123 Washington Street in Hartford’s Frog Hollow neighborhood

Mayor Eddie A. Perez is a leading voice in the call for more funding for job training, housing, and mentoring for those who have been released from prison and are re-entering society. The Mayor will be on hand when Steven J. Law, the Deputy Secretary of Labor, presents a major grant that will help coordinate local resources and programs.

Mayor Perez says, “We need to maximize the potential of people who are re-entering the community and make them the most productive citizens they can be, so that they don’t revert back to a life of crime. Job training plays a key role in that personal journey.”

Mayor Perez and the mayors of other Connecticut cities have long said the re-entry issue is an important component in combating crime in urban areas and the transition needs to be sufficiently funded.

For more information on the Mayor’s role, please contact Sarah Barr, Director of Communications at (860) 522-4888 x6217.

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